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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.  
Our Ref: 1748X/49774

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Dietmar MIRSCH and Bernd SCHEITERLEIN

entitled: FUEL CELL SYSTEM

Enclosed are:

1. Specification, including 8 claims (pages 1-10, plus specification cover sheet).
2. 1 Sheet of    drawings showing Figs. 1, 2 and 3.
3. X Declaration and Power of Attorney (**unexecuted-2 pages**).
4. Certified copy of Priority Document 100 13 687.7 filed in Germany on 21 March 2000, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
5. X Information Disclosure Statement.
6. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee		\$355/710 =	\$710.00
Total Claims	<u>8</u> - 20 = <u>0</u>	x \$ 9/18 =	\$
Independent Claims	<u>2</u> - 3 = <u>0</u>	x \$40/80 =	\$
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented		\$135/270 =	\$
Total Filing Fee			<u>\$710.00</u>

The filing fee is being deferred at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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